

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know when such lands were finally registered.

Mr. K. George: I cannot remember the date.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: What is the total area of the land?

Mr. K. George: I can say that all the occupants who had leases were given lands on leases but I cannot say the area of the land actually registered.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know whether any special plot is reserved for any special purpose?

Mr. K. George: There is a plot reserved as fuel reserve. I cannot think of any other plot being reserved for any special purpose.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: May I know whether sufficient area has been left which could be registered in the name of private individuals?

Mr. K. George: The Devicolam Commissioner reports that if the fuel reserve and the area under occupation and the area where the Government buildings are situated are excluded all that is left will be 42 acres and that they are very steep hills. There is also no convenience of water supply. That is the only area available for cattle grazing in the settlement.

Road from the 10th mile of Todupuzha-Arakulam road to the Valiakandam Kanam Forest Station.

40. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether a representation from the public has been received praying for the opening of a road from the 10th mile on the Todupuzha Arakulam road to the Valiakandam Kanam Forest Station;

(b) whether the necessary alignment was made and the estimate prepared for it; and

(c) whether, while making the alignment and preparing the estimate, it was understood that this road was a necessity to the public?

Mr. K. Madhava Kurup: (a) Yes; there was also a petition protesting against the proposal.

(b) After conducting an investigation an estimate has been prepared.

(c) This road, if opened, will be useful to the people of the locality.

Mr. J. John Kattakayam: പൊതുജനങ്ങൾക്കുപകാരപ്രദമായ ഈ റോഡു കഴിയുന്നതും ചേഗത്തിൽ തുറക്കുമോ?

Mr. K. Madhava Kurup: അതു ഗവണ്മെൻറു മേൽ ചെ യ്യേണ്ട ഒരു കാര്യമാണ്.

Mr. J. John Kattakayam: മേലാലുള്ള ആവശ്യങ്ങൾ വരുമ്പോൾ ഈ ആവശ്യംകൂടി അവയുടെ കൂട്ടത്തിൽ ഒരാവശ്യമായിട്ടു കരുതുമോ?

Mr. K. Madhava Kurup: ഇതിനുമുമ്പുതന്നെ മെമ്പർമാർ ചോദ്യത്തിനത്തരമായിട്ടു ഗവണ്മെൻറിന്റെ ഡയറക്ടർമാരിൽനിന്നു കമ്പോൾ ഈ റോഡു തുറക്കാമെന്ന് ചീഫ് എൻജിനീയർ പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുണ്ട്.

Mr. J. John Kattakayam: ചീഫ് എൻജിനീയർ ഇതു കട്ടക്കയത്തിന്റെ വീട്ടിലേക്കുള്ള ഒരു റോഡാണെന്നു പറഞ്ഞതായി മെമ്പർമാരിയാമോ?

Mr. K. Madhava Kurup: അതുകൊണ്ടുമാത്രം ഈ റോഡു തുറക്കയില്ലെന്നു പറഞ്ഞിട്ടില്ല.

Mr. J. John Kattakayam: പൊതുജനങ്ങൾക്കുപകാരപ്രദമായ ഒരു റോഡാണിതെന്നു മെമ്പർമാരിയാമോ?

Mr. K. Madhava Kurup: ഇതിനുമുമ്പു ചീഫ് എൻജിനീയർ അതിനു മറുപടി പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുണ്ട്.

Agreement with the Rubber Expert.

41. ***Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have entered into any agreement with Mr. John Helen, the Rubber Expert, and, if so, whether they will place the same on the table?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevaniratha Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Yes. A copy of the *agreement is placed on the table.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: With reference to clause 9 of the agreement may I know whether Government have decided to terminate the service of the expert and whether they have issued any notice to him to that effect?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevaniratha Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: Government have not issued any notice to Mr. Helen.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know, Sir, whether Government have decided to allow this factory to be managed by any private agency?

President: The honourable member will wait for a statement which the Dewan will make in about ten minutes.

*Vide appendix—Pages—181—183 infra.

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